Committee on Ways and Means U.S. House of Representatives 1102 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

RE: Social Security at 75 Years

Honorable Members of the Committee:

I was employed as a teacher in numerous places around the world, while my husband served in the United States Army. At each duty station, when I could locate employment, I served as a teacher in elementary grades, middle school, and high school. I paid social security my entire career with the expectation that the social security payments would serve me in my retirement years.

Please do not penalize teachers, who worked for years as public servants at substantially decreased salaries as compared to the private sector jobs. Because teachers did have full faith in the US Government and in the SSI payments into the system, teachers now need the SSI payments for retirement income. Without the retirement income, many of us will be reduced to paupers.

Respectfully,

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